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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

6 January 2017

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Mr. Chris Verderber, Mill Manager  
Collins Pine Company, Chester Sawmill  
500 Main Street  
Chester, CA 96020

WDID No. 5A322000001

### **ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY COMPLAINT NO. R5-2017-0501 FOR ASSESSMENT OF MANDATORY MINIMUM PENALTIES, COLLINS PINE COMPANY, CHESTER SAWMILL, PLUMAS COUNTY**

Enclosed is an Administrative Civil Liability Complaint (Complaint), issued pursuant to California Water Code section 13385, for a violation of Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order R5-2009-0015 (NPDES Permit No. CA0004391) by the Collins Pine Company. The Complaint charges the Collins Pine Company with administrative civil liability in the amount of **three thousand dollars (\$3,000)**, which represents the statutory Mandatory Minimum Penalty for an effluent violation that occurred on 12 January 2016.

Collins Pine Company has the right to a hearing before the Central Valley Water Board within 90 days of the service of the Complaint. Collins Pine Company may agree to pay the administrative civil liability and waive its right to a hearing before the Central Valley Water Board or may contest the Complaint and exercise its right to a hearing within 90 days of the date of the Complaint. If Collins Pine Company chooses to waive its right to a hearing and settle the Complaint, then a duly authorized agent must sign the enclosed waiver and submit it to this office by **3 February 2017**. The Complaint will be considered settled pending a 30-day public comment period, tolled from the date of this Complaint, during which time interested parties may comment on this action by submitting information to this office, attention Jeremy M. Pagan.

If the Regional Water Board does not receive a waiver and payment for the full amount by **3 February 2017**, then a hearing will be scheduled for the **6/7 April 2017** Central Valley Water Board meeting in Fresno. Specific notice about this hearing and its procedures will be provided under separate cover.

Any comments concerning the enclosed Complaint must be submitted to this office, attention Jeremy M. Pagan, so that they are received no later than **5:00 p.m. on 3 February 2017**. If the Central Valley Water Board does not hold a hearing on the matter, and the terms of the final settlement are not significantly different from those proposed in the enclosed Complaint, then there will not be additional opportunities for public comment on the proposed settlement. Written materials received after **5:00 p.m. on 3 February 2017** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

In order to conserve resources, this letter transmits paper copies of the documents to the Discharger only. Interested persons may download the documents from the Central Valley Water

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Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office weekdays between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the Administrative Civil Liability Complaint, please contact Jeremy M. Pagan at (530) 224-4845.



Clint E. Snyder, P.G.  
Assistant Executive Officer

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Enclosures: Administrative Civil Liability Complaint No. R5-2017-0501

cc w/ encl.: Jess Brown, Collins Pine Company, Wilsonville, OR

cc w/o encl.: Central Valley Water Board Members  
Ken Greenburg, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, San Francisco  
Matthew Kelley, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Redding  
California Environmental Protection Agency, Sacramento  
California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 2, Rancho Cordova  
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